

House Resolution No. 4736

Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the meritorious endeavors of exceptional Missourians; and

Whereas, Diane Mack of Blue Springs, Missouri, has enjoyed the honor, glory, and distinction of being selected as a recipient of the Bob Aldridge Advocate of the Year Inclusion Award, a most impressive accolade bestowed upon her by the Missouri Office of Administration's Governor's Council on Disability, on December 10, 2004, during ceremonies held at the Children's Place in Kansas City; and

Whereas, the Bob Aldridge Advocate of the Year Inclusion Award recognizes and honors Missouri individuals, groups, organizations, and businesses for their successful inclusion of people with disabilities in the areas of employment, education, parenting, advocacy, and community; and

Whereas, a writer for The Examiner, Diane Mack has devoted numerous articles in her newspaper column on the subject of inclusion; and

Whereas, passionate that all families should have the right to care for their children in a loving home at any age, Diane Mack's efforts have played an instrumental role in paid family caregivers now being a reality for Missouri families; and

Whereas, Diane Mack is the recipient of numerous other awards, a few of which include the Heart of America Family Achievement Award, the Blue Springs Citizen of the Year Award, and the Parade Magazine's NFL Quarterback Award; and

Whereas, recently invited by United States Senator Kit Bond to welcome President Bush to Missouri, Diane Mack is Coordinator of Blue Springs Family Week, an award winning community wide annual event now modeled in many communities around the nation:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Diane Mack upon her selected to receive the Bob Aldridge Advocate of the Inclusion Award and in wishing her the best of luck in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Diane Mack.

Offered by _____
Representative Bryan Pratt
District No. 55

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4736, adopted December 29, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker